

## LOU PAYN BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMITTEE TO-DAY.

(Sketched at the hearing for The Evening World by Artist Macauley.)



A good thing in the light of what has happened," said Mr. Payn. "Why did you examine the Mutual? Because it was the largest company there? There were always charges against that company."

What about your alleged proposal to J. D. Wells to force President Fred Huntington to resign in favor of Gen. George A. Sweeny? "I never made such a proposal."

What do you say? "I was trying to get things in shape to put Huntington out."

Why don't you want to see Huntington out? "Because he was a crook, but not as big a crook as that fellow, Wells."

From this it follows, in the opinion of the Committee, that John P. McCall knew to whom this money was paid. Huntington says as much in this instance and more generally asserts that when he declares that no payment was ever made by him except under the instructions of the president of the New York Life.

Presented by Young McCall.

The Houghtaling statement was put in evidence, though Young McCall, who was his law office, had called him without any preliminaries and brought with him a physician's certificate, signed by Dr. J. A. Riviere, a Cavalier of the Legion of Honor, and before Hanson A. Cox, Deputy U. S. Commissioner, as his witness, that Judge Ames was too ill to come to New York at this time.

The certificate of birth that Huntington had applied to Dr. Riviere for a "new birth" was prepared by mistake, of course, and the name of the opinion travelling was out of the question, and in order that "Andy" may have some cause of legitimate defence, he had the name of the son of France, "the child of the sun," and his mate was accordingly chosen. To sum up, "Andy's" new certificate gave him a birth.

Young McCall asked the court to let him go, but from his observations, Huntington told him that McCall had been in the office for two hours.

Young McCall Can't Tell.

In the reading of the testimony of the Houghtaling, Young McCall was called as a witness in examination, but it was decided to call him no more than once. "Andy" had enough to do to get his certificate, Houghtaling said, and we saw the crook when "Andy" gave him without asking questions.

Young McCall was seated in his usual seat, and when asked if he had told Mr. Huntington that he had New York life policies in New York, he answered, "I think so, but Mr. Huntington says he didn't tell him."

"What does he say?"

"Well, I believe that when he says he didn't know anything about the settlement of these accounts until he read it in the newspapers, that he is telling the truth."

"Do you know how the debts or claims which this Mutual made on you were accounted for?" asked the witness.

"I don't know where the money went."

"No, sir."

Henry D. Appleton, Second Deputy Superintendent of Insurance, was called to give an account of last week as to the inspection of the insurance department.

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Failure of Memory.

Appleton couldn't remember that the Bankers' Life Insurance Company had got better treatment from the insurance department after the company had employed him as an attorney. He could not remember either that he had told the Bankers' Life that he was the Bankers' Life, that he would have to make efforts to prove he was entitled to a certain provision of law, insurance laws.

"I'm afraid not," declared Appleton, half rising from his chair. "The witness chair, 'If Morgan or anybody else says so, then it is so.'

At this moment Frederic Cromwell, of the Mutual Life, entered the inquiry room. He sat down, and the hearing was adjourned.

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JUDGE ANDY HUNTINGTON'S REACTION TO THE NEW YORK LIFE TRUSTEES

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## DOCTOR DIES FROM DRUG HE CRAVED

### RUSSIA SHAKEN BY REVOLT—WOMEN BATTLE IN MOSCOW.

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Abraham Lewis Had Lost His Practice in Brooklyn Through Bad Habits.

(For Judge "Andy" Huntington's reaction to the New York Life trustees see Page 9.)

**JUMPED INTO AUTO TO CHASE A THIEF**

Policeman Newman Quickly Caught Burglar, Who Was Running from Crowd.

When a fat policeman is lunging out, stampeded in a Harlem thief chase, nowadays he hauls the first passing auto, gets aboard and runs down his prey. This was what Policeman Newman, standing at One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street and Eighth avenue, did this afternoon, when a fleeing burglar followed by a crowd fled by him.

The thief had been interrupted in the act of robbing the flat of John W. Wilson, at No. 307 Seventh avenue. He fled, pursued by twelve-year-old Johnny Wilson and a hundred small boys. He was sprinting at about eleven seconds to the hundred yards, when he passed Newman. A big touring car was handy and the policeman got in, requesting the crowd to give him a chance.

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At one-half past ten yesterday morning, Dr. Lewis, a well-known practitioner at Williamsburg and Goshorn streets, Brooklyn, was to-day laid dead from an overdose of chloroform in the furnished room house No. 30 Pearl street, Brooklyn. Five bottles of the drug were found in his power, as well as a quantity of morphine pills.

Lewis, although only thirty years old, looked over fifty. He was at one time wealthy. His relatives are in the wholesale underwear business in Worcester street, Brooklyn, and he had been taken up because he had become a drug fiend. Since then, he had been steadily going down hill, and finally lost money and practice.

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One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street, Brooklyn, was the scene of the fight.

According to reports, the troops, which had been largely reinforced, put down the outbreak successfully.

At the foot of the street are the works of the Banker Contracting Company.

It deals particularly in sand.

There is something like that used by the Hellenic Engineers Works.

They were left behind the barricades and artillery to open fire on the works, which were literally battered down over the heads of the revolutionaries.

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Lieut.-Gen. Mischenko, who com-

manded a Cossack brigade in Man-

churia during the Russo-Japanese war,

has arrived at Moscow and may have taken over the command of the troops.

He had a narrow escape from capture by the revolutionaries at St. Andrew's Monastery, on the outskirts of the city, where the railroad track was broken by a bomb.

The General and his men, members of his staff managed to get away.

One hundred is to be 50 feet from

84 feet deep, with a facade of brick and ornamental limestone, adorned with triple bay windows.

They begged to be allowed to keep

their horses.

The architect is Frank H. Kimball.

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W. GROVE & CO., New York.

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 27.—Three financial institutions failed to open their doors for business to-day. The Merchants' Trust Company, with a capital stock of \$200,000, the American Savings & Trust Company, and the Mechanics' Savings Bank, smaller institutions and allied with the first-named concern, have gone into liquidation.

The following notice was posted on the doors of the Merchants' Trust Com-

pany:

The cause of the suspension of the

Merchants' Trust Company is said to

be due to heavy losses and discounts.

The directors said that the three institutions had ample assets and could pay dollar for dollar.

When the officers of the Merchants' Trust Company decided to suspend operations, they had no receiver to call upon, and named John P. Edmondson, a Memphis lawyer.

Good thing in the light of what has

happened," said Mr. Edmondson.

He will probably recover. His clothing is good and he is evidently affiliated with religious mania.

## MRS. CHASE WAS FORCED TO ADOPT BOY LAWYER SAYS

Also that She Objected to Leaving Money to Husband's Son.

SALEM, Mass., Dec. 27.—Charles G. Chick, a lawyer, testified to-day in the Chase will contest that Mrs. Chase visited him professionally and stated to him that she had been compelled to adopt Dr. Forest Woodrow Chase, the son of her husband, and also that she had been compelled to make young Chase heir to her property, which amounted to \$1,000,000.

The cross-examination of Dr. Howard C. Chick, a physician, was continued as a witness for the petitioners in the contest over the will of Mrs. Jennie E. Chase, wife of Dr. Chase, was continued by counsel for the witness, when the witness was asked whether he was entitled to compensation as an attorney.

Mr. Morse explained to the Court that he had been intimated that Mrs. Chase's death was irregular; that she might have been murdered.

He replied to a question by his counsel, witness to the will.

Mrs. Chase did not believe in astrology, although, he continued, "Mrs. Chase visited every fortune teller within twenty miles of her home." He said, however, that after these visits Mrs. Chase was invariably remarked, "That off is a variable."

When asked why he did not notify the Phillips brothers of the death of their sister, witness replied, "Why should I have done so? They never told me their brother was dead."

For the defense, another Mrs. Chase's brothers knew that she had adopted her son," Mr. Morse asked the witness.

"I do not think they did," Dr. Chase answered. "We were not advertising that fact."

Mr. Morse introduced as evidence the record of Mrs. Chase's divorce from her husband, W. H. Colliton, and also the settlement which was made at the time the divorce was granted.

Dr. Chase said that he was a believer in astrology and astrology. He frequently speculated on the stock market and was a lover of horse racing. For a number of years he said, he received one-half of his income from his hobby.

Charles G. Chick, a lawyer of Boston, quoted above, followed Dr. Chase as a witness. He testified that he had acted as counsel for Mrs. Chase, the defendant, in the divorce.

When asked whether he had been called to the despatch from Baker City, Oregon, Dr. Chick, in reply, said, "I was called to the despatch from Baker City, Oregon, to the effect that a subscription was about to be started for a wedding present for Miss Alice Roosevelt Longworth, the daughter of President Theodore Roosevelt.

The President disengaged of the proposition as is indicated by the following statement issued from the White House:

"The President's attention having been

drawn to the despatch from Baker City, Oregon, to the effect that a subscription was about to be started for a wedding present for Miss Alice Roosevelt Longworth, the President stated that he had approached the Secretary of State, who had said nothing to him concerning the proposed subscription.

Miss Roosevelt, the daughter of President Theodore Roosevelt, has been engaged in a number of charitable work.

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